

**Basketball** is an important sport to the state of Kansas. The creator of the game, James Naismith, spent much of his life as a coach and teacher at the University of Kansas. Thanks to another Kansas coach, Phog Allen, basketball became an Olympic sport in 1936. There, a U.S. team featuring six players from McPherson won gold medals—presented by Naismith. Draw yourself and your friends playing basketball on this court. Is it in a big arena, or your neighborhood park?

